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Munditiis capimur: non ſint ſine lege capilli:
Admotæ formam dantque negantque manus.
OVID. Art. Am. iii. 133.

To Mr. BAVIUS, Secretary of the Society of Grub-ſtreet.

SIR,

I Happened the other night into company with three or four Gentlemen at a tavern, when the converſation chiefly turned upon matrimony, and conjugal happineſs. There was but one married man among us; and he, it ſeems, was ſo far from being an advocate for the holy ſtate, that after a long diſpute, which was the moſt eligible, a ſingle one, or that, upon the company's appealing to his deciſion, he gave his judgment abſolutely in favour of the former.

This Gentleman I ſhall call CLORIUS: and, for the ſervice of the fair Sex, ſhall preſent his character to them, as well as the reaſon upon which he founded his opinion; —— CLORIUS is a perſon of great fortune, young, witty, and well bred; his acquaintance love him, his tradesmen reſpect him, and all the world allows him to be a fine Gentleman. In every part of life he has been remarkable for acting ſtrictly the man of honour. By this I do not mean, that he adheres in all things to the rules of a rigid virtue; but that he is tenacious of his word, ſpeaks with ingenuity and candour, and deteſts any thing that has the leaſt appearance of diſſimulation or hypocriſy. And tho' for ſome years he has been, in the Town phraſe, a man of pleaſure; yet he never could bring himſelf to ſuch a refinement in his vices, as either to debauch the wife, or the daughter of any man. He has always contented himſelf with ſuch as he found debauched to his hand: and whenever he parted from them, with a generoſity peculiar to good nature, he never failed to beſtow in ſuch a manner, as he judg'd moſt probable to render them ſecure from want all the reſt of their lives. Such is the man who determined this important Queſtion.

I ſhall now proceed to give the reaſon, upon which he grounded his reſolution: as near as I can recollect, the Gentleman's own words were as follow: —— Since the Company has done me the honour to declare a willing acquieſcence in whatever opinion I ſhall give; in order therefore to canvas the matter with the greater accuracy, I think it neceſſary to premiſe to you the conſiderations, which at firſt determined me to a married ſtate. I had long and warily deliberated the inconveniencies of a ſingle life; the irregularities which are often incident to it; and the diſorders which are but too frequently the conſequences of an illicit commerce with the fair Sex. —— And as I had likewiſe, on the other hand, often remarked, that there were more unhappy marriages proceeded from the avarice of mankind, than from any other ſource that I could diſcover; this obſervation made me reſolve, that as my own fortune was ſufficient, not only for all the neceſſaries, but even the innocent pleaſures of a matrimonial condition, I would never object againſt a woman I liked, on account of her not having ſuch a portion, as in a fair way of bargaining, and in a mercantile nation (ſuch as ours is) I might not only reaſonably expect, but had, it ſeems, a very good right to demand. Beſides, by this I was ſure of avoiding that ſcandalous practice of ſettling my whole eſtate on my firſt iſſue male. A practice manifeſtly injurious to Society, not only as it deſtroys that equality ſo eſſentially neceſſary in all well governed Commonwealths; but as it has a direct tendency to the defrauding the induſtrious tradeſman of his juſt and due demands. I know nothing that is more monſtrous, than to hear parents talk of the love and impulſe of nature towards their progeny, and yet leave all their younger children beggars; to enrich, in all probability, a prodigal extravagant heir. —— Having gained my point thus far, my next conſideration was, whether my temper was of that airy volatile nature, as that it would be impoſſible for me to confine it within the limits preſcribed by the nuptial appointment. This, after a ſevere ſcrutiny into myſelf, I was very well aſſured would be feaſible. Nothing then remained of farther difficulty, but to find out ſome woman, whoſe perſon and education I could approve of; and whoſe humour I could fix upon, as entirely correſpondent and agreeing with my own. —— A man of a great eſtate has always a large field to chuſe in. For my own part, to obtain what I wanted, I imagined a tour into the country would be the propereſt expedient I could make uſe of. Women of Town-educations are but too generally either Prudes or Coquets, both which, tho' not equally entertaining, yet are equally to be avoided. —— But, not to be too minute in my narration, I muſt tell you, that at laſt I met with an honeſt Gentleman's daughter, whoſe perſon, temper and education I flattered myſelf were unexceptionable. Her I married; with her I live; and yet with her am I unhappy.

The Company upon this ſtating earneſtly upon CLORIUS; I don't wonder, Gentlemen, ſays he, at your ſurpriſe; but your admiration will, I believe, be raiſed ſomewhat higher, when I aſſure you, that there is not that woman in the world, who has a diſpoſition more mild, gentle, or good-natured: and had not ſhe one fault, (a fault, which upon enquiry, I find but too common a one) I would not exchange her for all the pomp and luxury of the moſt voluptuous, eaſtern Monarch. What I mean is, that indecent diſregard, with which married women treat their own families, by neglecting at home thoſe advantages of dreſs and cleanlineſs, which ſeldom fail of engaging the affections of a ſenſible man. This, added he, is the moſt intolerable grievance to a man, who conſiders himſelf as obliged in honour and conſcience to be conſtant in his careſſes to only one woman, and to whom he has vowed an attachment in the moſt ſacred manner. To this cauſe may, in a great meaſure, be attributed the ſtraying of ſo many married men to lewd women of the Town; and to this it is, that I muſt wholly impute the uneaſineſs which I at preſent labour under. —— Such is my objection againſt matrimony; and ſo important a one I take it to be, that I muſt, and do declare my judgment abſolutely in favour of a ſingle life.

One of the Company (an old Batchelor) upon hearing the deciſion of the Queſtion, got up, and with a grave ſneer told us, That he thought a remedy might eaſily be found out for redreſſing the grievance upon which CLORIUS's judgment was built. —— Suppoſe, ſays he, that Huſbands were to treat their Wives like their Miſtreſſes, and bribe them into cleanlineſs, by a daily or weekly ſtipend for that purpoſe: or, if this ſhould be thought too expenſive a remedy, a general licence to the Ladies to receive their gallants at home in their own apartments, would, doubtleſs, be found a moſt effectual proviſion againſt this evil.

Upon retiring to my own lodgings, after the Company had broken up, I muſt own, it was not without a good deal of concern, that I apprehended there might be too much truth in CLORIUS's obſervation. However, I was by no means convinced, that the charge in general was juſt. To argue from a caſual abuſe to the entire diſuſe of any thing, is ſurely an unfair way of reaſoning. Human underſtanding is of ſo limited a nature, that at beſt we can only form ſchemes that are plauſible. No wiſe man will therefore conſider any condition in this world, but as a ſtate of imperfection. He that deviſes the moſt rational ſyſtem, and ſuch as is beſt connected with the happineſs of mankind, is undoubtedly our greateſt benefactor. But we muſt not expect, that our reaſon ſhould be infallible, whilſt our natures are corrupt. The beſt inſtitutions that ever were, have been debaſed to ſerve the vileſt purpoſes; and the moſt holy of religions has been often a pretext for the perpetration of the blackeſt crimes. It is therefore no objection to the purity of any eſtabliſhment, that it does not always anſwer the ends for which it was at firſt intended. —— Whoever ſeriouſly conſiders the nature and deſign of marriage, will be ſoon convinced, that, as propagation is neceſſary for the ſupport of mankind, ſo marriage is truly wiſe and political, for the ſake of decency and order. If there are ſome women who come under the cenſure of being ſluttiſhly indolent, where they ought to endeavour to make themſelves moſt agreeable; this, doubtleſs, can never be a juſt foundation for condemning in general what is indiſputably attended with ſo many important advantages. —— I muſt own, it's a ſhameful thing, that there ſhould be even one Lady in the kingdom of this character: however, 'tis by no means equitable to involve the innocent in the ſentence of the guilty; eſpecially, when 'tis, I hope, no unreaſonable preſumption, that there is not one in a hundred who juſtly merits the reproach. —— Love is certainly a nice Deity, and will have no incenſe but the pureſt burned on his altar. The utmoſt delicacy is required to keep our paſſions alive. A ſollicitude for the decency of our perſon is, doubtleſs, an amiable and rational expedient to anſwer this end. But this alone won't do; there is beſides a neceſſity of baniſhing all obſcenity and looſe converſation from our intercourſe with the fair Sex.

Not, that warm thoughts of the tranſporting joy
Can ſhock the chaſteſt, or the niceſt cloys:
But obſcene words, too groſs to move deſire,
Like heaps of fuel, do but choak the fire.
Duke of Buckingham's Eſſay on Poetry.

'Tis impoſſible to preſerve a reſpect for any company we keep, without laying on ourſelves at leaſt the common reſtraints of good manners, and a virtuous decorum.

Before I conclude this letter, I muſt beg leave to obviate a miſtake, which I find moſt Ladies are in. —— I have obſerved, that women generally caſt their eyes in company on the beſt dreſſed man; men on the handſomeſt faced woman. The applauſe therefore, which the female Sex expect from the ſplendor of their attire, is rarely attained by them. Women are from their infancy bred up with notions of finery. Miſs, before ſhe can ſpeak, is arrayed out in ſomething very glaring; the firſt word that is taught her, is Huſband: ſo that the ideas of finery and Huſband being the firſt that ſtrike upon her imagination, ſhe can ſeldom ſeparate them all her life time after. —— The education of Boys being ſo entirely different, we rarely find that women are ever diſtinguiſhed by the men for the luſtre of their dreſs. Indeed, among one another, their dreſs ſeldom fails of exciting, either contempt, or envy. But amongſt men, I have known the fineſt dreſſed Lady in an aſſembly paſſed by with leſs regard, than a tolerable pretty woman in plain bombazine. I am, Sir,

Your humble ſervant.

THE DOUBLE CONTEST.

A Short, big-look'd man,
Four foot and a ſpan,
I th' dreſs of his trade,
Attack'd a poor Maid:
She'd fruit, brought from far,
To tempt to her bar:
To cool was its uſe,
And ſweet was its juice.
Two ſnares, at one wheel,
He dar'd, and ſcap'd well;
Tho' kind dice cou'd let her
Have, moſt times, the better.
But fortune will beat
Down, little and great:
Another ſad day,
Two wheels ſtood in way;
The driver had name,
From what does enflame;
Diſputings enſu'd,
The iſſue was rude;
The worthi'ſt the field,
At preſent muſt yield;
(He ſooner might draw
A ſtubborn old law;)
Go ſomething about,
And through dirt, no doubt.
To ſoften his pain,
He borrows a cane;
Then his up lift arm,
Can reach to do harm;
Revenge makes it ſweet,
You'd admire the feat.
The man-mountain ſtay'd,
While little thing play'd;
Then ſtretching one hand,
Which ſoon fix'd his ſtand;
He outs with a ſquirt,
To wipe off his dirt:
And leaſt the hot range
Shou'd make his fleſh change,
Well ſoaks him in brine,
Which porter made ſhine:
To ſeaſon each lip,
The ſalts thither ſkip;
And did they get through,
They'd ſcour'd his teeth too;
Where malice may lurch,
His boſom next ſearch:

Leſt fear ſhould them miſs,
His breeches be piſs:
Not breaking his ſhin,
Pour ſmart-water in:
At no time out dar'd,
O'er head it had rear'd;
And now, to be low,
Trickle down to's toe;
To harden our Squire,
'Gainſt he wou'd ſeem high'r.
The well drench'd Poor Dear
Is loos'd with a ſneer;
And innocent cane
Clean'd, and giv'n again.
Now what law means evil,
To Collier ſo civil?
Who vanquiſh'd his foe,
Without word or blow;
And ſtiller than mob,
Pump'd proud, wrangling ſquab;
And ſent him well taught,
To ſtrive, where he ought.

P. S. A word to Mr. CONUNDRUM; Quære, Whether Dr. BENTLEY's *Paradiſe Loſt*, would not be MILTON's *Paradiſe Regained*.

BAVIUS.

DOMESTIC NEWS.

C. *Courant.* | E P. *Evening Poſt.*
P. *Poſt-Boy.* | S J. *S. James's Evening Poſt.*
D P. *Daily Poſt.* | W E. *Whitehall Evening P.*
D J. *Daily Journal.* | L E. *London Evening Poſt.*

THURSDAY, *April* 27.

The King's journey to Hanover is ſuſpended, For a longer time, we hear, than was intended. *S J.*

Laſt week a duel was fought between the Lord John Ruſſel and Capt. Janſſen, when the former retreating a little to have a more advantageous thruſt, had the misfortune to fall down; and the latter being too generous to take the advantage, the ſame happily ended without any miſchief. *S J. L E.* —— *I think* the ſame *was no* misfortune *at all.*

On tueſday at a hearing before the L. Chancellor, L. Chief Juſtice Raymond, and Baron Comyns, the Court unanimouſly agreed, that the Patent granted by his Majeſty to R. Wilks, C. Cibber, and Barton Booth, Eſqs; for the Play-houſe in Drury-lane, was a lawful Grant; and it paſſed the Broad Seal accordingly. *D P.* ——The Patent is for 21 years to the longer liver, and aſſignable. The Maſters have renewed their leaſe with his Grace the Duke of Bedford. *S J.*

Yeſterday being the firſt day of the Term, the Lord Chancellor, &c. went in the uſual ſtate to Weſtminſter-hall. &c. *S J.*

On monday at New-market the Duke of Bolton's horſe *Sterling* won the great ſtakes of 700 guineas; and Mr. Coke's *Bauble*, beat the Earl of Portmore's *Miſs Eſſex*, for 200 guineas. *S J. W E. L E.*

We hear the learned Dr. Bentley of Cambridge, is reſolved to anſwer the Reflections Mr. Budgell has made upon him in his late celebrated Book, entitled, *Memoirs of the Life of the late Earl of Orrery, and of the Family of the Boyles. P.*

I think the Book-ſellers of Mr. Budgell,
For his, and their own reputation judge ill,
To blow his Works *about with* puff *on* puff;
As if they were Hyp-Oratory *ſtuff.*

John Hopkins, Eſq; appears to have died worth 300,000 l. He has left ſeveral legacies, 500 l. to S. Thomas's Hoſpital; 500 l. to the Incurable; 500 l. to be divided to poor houſe-keepers, 20 l. to each family: but the bulk of his great eſtate is limited to the heirs male of the daughters of a names ſake and kinſman, a Farmer in Eſſex or Suffolk, a ſon *of whoſe*, to whom this eſtate was deſign'd to be given died not long ſince. *D J.*

A few days ſince died ſuddenly at Bath John Henley, of Abbots Wotton in Dorſetſhire, Member in the laſt Parliament for Lyme. *D P.* —— *This was* Mr. Orator Henley: Mr. Auditor Henley WE HEAR *is ſtill alive, tho' in a weak condition.*

FRIDAY, *April* 28.

We are aſſured, that the Parliament will not riſe before the 25th of next month; and that his Majeſty will not viſit his German Dominions 'till towards the middle of June. *P.*

We hear the R. Hon. the Lord How will go as Governor of Barbadoes. *P.*

On wedneſday night the Lady of the Right Hon. Sir Will. Yonge was ſafely brought to bed of a ſon and heir. *P.* Yeſterday. *C. Who omits* Right Hon.

The Lord Viſc. Dunkeron, Mr. Kinnerſley, and Mr. Stewart, being diſcharged the 14th inſt. from their confinement at Tours, are expected here daily. *D P.*

Yeſterday was a tryal in the Court of Exchequer, between the Rev. Mr. D'Oyly, Rect. of Fryering in Eſſex, Plaintiff, and Mr. Char. Hornby, Defendant, for with-holding of tythes, on a pretence of the barenneſs of land; which after a ſhort hearing was determined in favour of the Plaintiff. *D P.*

Laſt wedneſday was held a Lodge by its Maſter, at the Golden Spikes in Hampſtead, of the ancient and honourable Society of Free-Maſons, when the R. Hon. the Lord Tenham was elected Maſter of the Lodge, on the reſignation of the R. Hon. the Lord Viſc. Montacute. *D P.*

On monday John Garth, Eſq; Counſeller at Law, was unanimouſly elected Recorder of the Devizes, in the room of Serjeant Webb, deceaſed. *D J.*

On ſunday Mrs. Helen Andrews, 2d daughter of Sir Francis, renounced the errors of the Church of Rome, and received the ſacrament by the hands of the Rev. Dr. Warren, at the pariſh Church of Stratford le Bow. *P.*

Capt. How, who commanded the Lady Amelia, which arrived in the river on wedneſday, died at Jamaica by the following accident: A bull was given him, which deſigning to kill for his ſhip's uſe, he got dogs to bait it; and a dog, which had been hurt, faſtening on the calf of his leg, he fell down; and the bull running at him, with his horn ripped his belly up, ſo that he died on the ſpot. *D J.*

On wedneſday died, after a tedious indiſpoſition, at his houſe in Leiceſter fields, the Hon. Brigadier Gen. Pocock. *P.*

SATURDAY, *April* 29.

We hear the Parliament will break up on May 28th, and that his Majeſty will imbark for his German Dominions June 1. *D J.* ——— It was talk'd yeſterday at Court, as if his Majeſty's journey began to be doubted of. *D P.*

Yeſterday all the Gen. Officers met at Whitehall. *D P.*

On tueſday at New-market, the Earl of Halifax's *Bay Colt* beat the Earl of Godolphin's *Shanks*, 4 miles, for 200 guineas, and the next day the Earl of Portmore's *Grey Colt* beat the Lord Londſdale's *Bay Colt*, for 300 guineas. *D J.*

On wedneſday Tho. Windham, Eſq; was unanimouſly choſen Member of Parliament for Pool in Dorſetſhire, in the room of Dennis Bond, Eſq; *D P.* ——Will. Wyndham, Eſq; *D J.*

Laſt ſunday Mr. Rich. Petit, Gardener to Sir Will. Leman, of Northall in Hertfordſhire, Bar. preſented a ripe Melon to his Majeſty, being the firſt that has been produced this year; and the next day made her Majeſty a preſent of another. *D P.*

Yeſterday a pacquet from Paris brought an account, that Mr. Morrand, one of his Majeſty's Meſſengers, had the misfortune to fall from his horſe on the road from Paris to Calais, and broke his neck. *P.*

Chriſtned Males 159. Females 175. In all 334. *Buried* Males 211. Females 220. In all 431. Decreaſed in the Burials this week 4. *P.*

Laſt night died at his houſe in Soho-ſquare, the R. Hon. Tho. Parker, Earl of Macclesfield, &c. in the 66th year of his age, and after he had had a ſuppreſſion of urine in his kidnies about 8 days. He left one ſon and one Daughter, George L. Viſc. Parker, and the Lady Elizabeth Heathcote, Wife of Will. Heathcote, Eſq; of Hurſley Lodge in Hampſhire. *L E.*

MONDAY, *May* 1.

Yeſterday the Rev. Dr. Maddox preached before their Majeſties, his Royal Highneſs the Prince of Wales, &c. —The ſame day the Court went into mourning for 3 weeks, for the death of the Prince of Saxe and Elector of Mentz. *C.* His Majeſty has been pleaſed to appoint Col. Pet. Betteſworth, to be Lieut. Governor of the Iſland of Jerſey. — And Rob. Clark, Advocate, one of the 4 Commiſſaries of Edinburgh. *D J. C. D P.*

Laſt ſaturday in the afternoon, Horatio Walpole, Eſq; was overturned in his Chariot, near Whitehall, but received no damage. *D J.*—The ſame day died his daughter Miſs Suſan Walpole. *D P.*

On thurſday at the horſe-races at Newmarket, the Earl of Halifax's *Juſtice* beat the L. How's *Miſs Heyden*, for 100 guineas. — On friday Mr. Coke's *Hobgob'in* beat Mr. Fleetwood's *Eaton* for 200 guineas. *D J.* For 500. *P.*

The ſame morning the corpſe of the late Biſhop Atterbury arrived at the Cuſtom-houſe. *D P. D J.* — We hear the Officers examining the caſe, found in it 4 pieces of fine French ſilk brocaded with ſilver; which they ſeized. *C.* — *I ſuſpend my belief, 'till I have* examined this caſe.

On ſaturday the Lady of the R. Hon. the L. Viſc. Limerick of the Kingdom of Ireland, was delivered of a ſon. *P.*

TUESDAY, *May* 2.

We hear that the intended journey of his Majeſty is intirely laid aſide; and that the Parliament will not break up before the middle of June. *C.* — The R. Hon. the L. Vere Beauclerck is made one of the Commiſſioners of the Navy, in the room of the R. Hon. Rob. Byng, Eſq; who hath reſign'd. *D P.* —— Of Alexander Cleveland, Eſq; *C.* 3.

Yeſterday the corpſe of the R. Hon. the E. of Macclesfield was opened by Mr. Chiſſelden, according to his Lordſhip's own deſire, when 3 ſtones were taken out the bladder, and ſeveral out of the kidnies. *C.* Large ſtones. *D P.*

Sir Jam. Naſmith, Bar. is elected Knight of the Shire for Peebles in Scotland, in the room of the Hon. John Douglas, Eſq; deceaſed. *D P.*

Yeſterday the R. Hon. the L. Mayor, attended by the Sheriffs, held a Court Leet at the Crown tavern in Dukes-place, according to annual cuſtom; each inhabitant paying one half-penny per head, as an acknowledgment of his Lordſhip's being Lord of the manor. *C.*

Aſcenſion-day being near, it is the requeſt of ſome ſerious people, that Miniſters and Church-wardens would take care to prevent thoſe riotous doings, which commonly happen in their Church and Church-yards upon that occaſion, contrary to their Homilies and Canons, as well as to common decency and modeſty. *D P.*

On ſaturday Francis Seymour, Eſq; 2d ſon of Sir Edward, who married the Lady Inchinbrook, was choſen Member of Parliament for Great Bedwin in the County of Wilts, unanimouſly without oppoſition. *P.* —— *I: would have been more ſurpriſing news, if this had been* unanimouſly *with* oppoſition.

All the ſhips that have lately arrived in our Ports from the Coaſt of France, have been very ſtrictly ſearched; as alſo the paſſengers and ſeamen; but on what account we cannot yet learn. *P.*

Dover, Ap. 22. We hear from Boulogne, that 7 or 800 of the French Troops are ſuddenly expected there, to repair the roads, or make a pavement, where wanted, between each ſtage, from Paris to Calais. *P.* It is great pity our Troops are not employed in mending the Roads, which would not only eaſe the poor of the burden of Turn-pikes, prevent Treaſurers, &c. getting Eſtates, but alſo prevent the lazy idle Troopers from burdening the Pariſhes with Baſtard children. *L E.* —— *Tho' I like this propoſal, yet I don't apprehend, how the* Soldiers *turning* Highway-men *before they are diſbanded, will prevent their getting of* Baſtards.

The E. of Waldegrave, his Majeſty's Embaſſador at the Court of France, is very ſpeedily to return home, and Mr. Robinſon, his Majeſty's Miniſter at the Court of Vienna, is to ſucceed him at Paris. *L E.*

We hear there is now living at Rome, the Hon. Will. Ratcliffe, Eſq; 4th ſon of the late E. of Derwentwater's great Grand father; being the younger Brother to the father of that Earl that was beheaded; and who was never attainted, and its ſaid is Heir to part of the Derwentwater Eſtate. *L E.* — *It is ſaid he keeps a Toy-ſhop there.*

Will. Morrice, Eſq; who had been taken into cuſtody of a Meſſenger upon his landing at Dover from Paris, was examined laſt night at the Cockpit, and diſcharged. *L E.*

Laſt ſaturday in the evening Mr. Teal, ſon of the late Apothecary General, ſhot himſelf at his houſe in Maſham-ſtreet, Weſtm. and on ſunday in the evening the Coroner and his Jury ſate upon him, and it appear'd very plain to them that he was lunatic. *L E.* —— *The circumſtances mentioned in the* S J. *are almoſt all falſe.*

WEDNESDAY, *May* 3.

Yeſterday a Man dwarf, who lately came from Denmark, and is not quite three foot high, was preſented to their Majeſties at S. James's, as alſo to the Royal Family, and was much admir'd. He ſtood under the arm of the D. of Cumberland, with which his Royal Highneſs was much pleaſed. *P.*

Yeſterday the R. Hon. the Earl of Albemarle took his leave of their Majeſties at S. James's, his Lordſhip intending to ſet out for his Regiment at Gibraltar to morrow. *Ib.*

We hear that three Regiments on the Iriſh eſtabliſhment are order'd to reinforce the garriſons of Gibraltar and Port Mahon. *D P.*

We hear George Vernon, Eſq; hath petition'd his Majeſty for the Barony of Powis, as being the heir to Edward the laſt Lord, who died without iſſue; and that his petition is referr'd to the Attorney General; and it's believ'd it will ſpeedily come before the Houſe of Peers, and he be heard by Counſel againſt Mr. Kynaſton and Sir Nathaniel Curzon, Bar. who are alſo Claimants to the ſaid Barony. *D P.*

The affair between the Biſhop of Ely and Dr. Bentley, which was to have been heard at the Bar of the Houſe of Lords yeſterday, was by their Lordſhips put off till ſaturday next. *P.*

Yeſterday the Sheriffs of London and County of Middleſex went up with a petition to the Hon. Houſe of Commons, praying, That all actions for debt under the ſum of 20 l. within the City of London, ſhould be tried in their Court. *C.*

Laſt night the corpſe of the late Biſhop of Rocheſter was brought from on board a ſhip to Mr. Purdys, an Undertaker's in Clare-ſtreet, Clare-market. —— We hear that all the ſaid late Biſhop's papers were ſeized by Thomas Walker, Eſq; one of the Commiſſioners of the Cuſtoms, on board the veſſel that brought over his body. *D P.*

Yeſterday morning died Miſs Leiceſter, niece to Sir Nathaniel Curzon, in Brook-ſtreet, Hanover-ſquare, an heir-

eſs of great fortune. — In the afternoon, at Addington in Surrey, Sir John Leigh, after a long illneſs of a mortification in his leg. *P.*

On ſunday laſt the Rev. Mr. Webb of Dorſetſhire, was marry'd to Mrs. Phipps, youngeſt Daughter of the late Sir Conſtantine Phipps, Knt. formerly Lord Chancellor of Ireland. — Yeſterday morning the Rt. Hon. the Lord Petre was marry'd at S. Paul's Cathedral, to the Hon. Miſs Ratcliff, a Daughter of the late Earl of Derwentwater, a Fortune of 30,000 l. after which his Lordſhip ſet out with a great retinue for his ſeat at Ingateſtone in Eſſex, being attended by ſix coaches and ſix, a great number of his Tradeſmen and Tenants on horſeback, and upwards of twenty ſervants in liveries. *D P.* — *The* C. *of the* 29th *married* his Lordſhip *on* Friday *laſt.*

On Thurſday laſt, at a Court of Delegates held at Doctors Commons, an Appeal was lodged by Mr. Greenly, Proctor for Mrs. Katharine Weld, *alias* Aſton, againſt her Husband Mr. Edward Weld, in a cauſe of inſufficiency, and Mr. Boycott, Proctor for Mr. Weld, appeared for him by Proxy; and the Judges Delegates order'd an inhibition and monition againſt the Regiſter of the Arches, to bring in the Proceſs. *P.*

From the PEGASUS *in Grub-ſtreet.*

The Characters of King WILLIAM and of Biſhop BURNET, as drawn by F. OSBORNE, Eſq; F. G. S. in the *London Journal* of Saturday April 29.

In the world ne'er were ſeen *two men more* contrary:
The King cool, the Biſhop was warm and unwary.
The one was both politic, *cloſe and reſerved:*
The other was paſſionate, *open, unguarded.*
A ſecret by the firſt, I ſay, *never was told:*
But *a ſecret* the laſt, 'tis known, *never could hold.*
The King was for meaſures of keeping his crown,
Tho' with difficulties ſome, yet meaſures his own.
The Biſhop for meaſures; into which had he entered,
The King thought his crown too much would be *ventured.*
The Prince *was ſtill prudent, and ſpoke little* and clever:
The Prelate imprudent, and his tongue could hold never.
The King lov'd retirement when Hyp was upon him;
The Biſhop would always be breaking in on him;
To take up his Time with whimſical ſchemes,
Which the King, ſtill awake, always hated like dreams.

He knew he was *credulous,* one, whom a ſtory *on*
Was eaſily impos'd: yet an *honeſt* Hiſtorian.
Could two ſuch men poſſibly agree? — I think not:
The Prince was a Dutchman, and the Prelate a Scot.

MÆVIUS.

The Letters ſigned C. RUFINA, PHILANTHROPOS, PHILOGRUB, and ſeveral others, were received; of which notice will be taken as opportunity ſhall ſerve.

Dublin, Ap. 22. We hear that the ſhip in which was the Corpſe of the Lady Malpas, arrived here ſafe this week; notwithſtanding it was inſerted in ſome of the Engliſh Papers, that the ſaid ſhip was ſtranded on the Coaſt of France. *C. P.* 29.

Charles Town in *South Carolina, Jan.* 29. The Alice and Elizabeth, John Pain, Maſter, in her paſſage from Jamaica, Dec. 9. about 3 in the morning, met with a ſmall veſſel off the Bahama banks. It being moon-light, the Capt. diſcover'd her at ſome diſtance; but before he could hide any thing that was valuable, they came up with him, demanded his yawl out, in which Mr. Chriſt. French, the Mate, with 4 hands, went on board them, and found them to be Spaniards and French. At firſt they were ſaluted with the uſual compliments of hanging, burning matches between their fingers, &c. But the Mate ſpeaking French, had ſome talk with the Captain of the Sloop, who was ſomewhat leſs uncivil than the reſt. The Sloop was mounted with 8 cannon, and mann'd with 70 hands. They carried the Alice and Elizabeth upon the banks, turned her hold upſide down, took away money, ſails, rum, ſugar, and dry goods, to a conſiderable value, and having ſtripp'd the Captain, a Mate, and the men of all their cloathes and bedding, were ſo civil as to give them leave to proceed with their Snow, and what little they thought proper to leave in her, on their voyage to this place, where they were ſo facetious as to ſay, they deſign'd to make a viſit, as ſoon as the cold weather ſhould be over. *P. Ap.* 29.

FOREIGN NEWS.

THURSDAY, *April* 27.

Yeſterday arrived the Mail from France.

Paris, May 3. N. S. The King has given the Abbey of Chaumont in Pitcine, in the Dioceſe of Reims to the ancient Biſhop of Orange. *C. P.* — The Royal Academy of Sciences having received no ſatisfactory anſwer to the Queſtion propoſed in 1730, have reſolved to continue the ſame for the prize after Eaſter 1732, which will then amount to 5000 livres: the Queſtion is, 'What is the cauſe 'of the inclination of the planets with regard to the plain '[plane. *C.*] of the Equator, and the revolution of the 'Sun round its axis; and whence comes it to paſs, that 'the inclination of the ſaid orbits differ one from ano'ther? *D P.*

Vienna, Ap. 19. Two days ſince M. Robinſon, the Britiſh Miniſter, who has lately held ſeveral conferences with Prince Eugene, on the preſent juncture of affairs, notify'd to the Court, that the King his Maſter had call'd a Council upon the arrival of an expreſs from Spain, with ſome advices not very ſatisfactory, wherein it was reſolv'd to fit out 28 men of war in all haſte for the Mediterranean. *D P.*

Hague, Ap. 1. Private letters from Leghorn aſſure us, that the Spaniards have at leaſt 12,000 men in Porto-Longone and that neighbourhood. *LE.*

FRIDAY, *April* 28.

Leghorn, Ap. 12. By a Felucca from Aleria, we are inform'd, that the Prince of Wirtemberg was arrived at Calvi, with all the Gen. Officers and the Imperial troops: upon which the Malecontents called a Grand Council, and bound themſelves by an oath, not to accept the amneſty of the Republick; which reſolution they all confirmed with a loud acclamation, *Conquer or die.* — The Genoeze lately attack'd a French ſhip at Girolato, kill'd ſeveral of her men, and dangerouſly wounded the Captain, only 3 of the French ſailors having eſcap'd on ſhoar; after which they towed the ſhip from the land, and burnt her, leaving the Captain ſtark-naked upon a cliff, from which he was taken on board by another French ſhip which paſſed by accidentally. *P.*

SATURDAY, *April* 29.

Yeſterday arrived the Mail from Holland.

Hamburgh, May 2. N. S. Some private letters from Peterſburgh adviſe, that Baron Shaffiroff, the Czarina's Miniſter at Iſpahan, on *Feb.* 1. concluded a Treaty with the Sophi's Miniſters, whereby that Prince yields to Muſcovy for ever, the Towns of Derbent, Andreoff, Baku, and ſome other places, formerly belonging to the Kingdom of Perſia. *C. DP.*

Liſbon, Ap. 2. N. S. Our laſt advices from Santa Cruz in Barbary ſay, that King Muley Abdallah had, in a pitch'd battle within 2 days journey of Morocco, entirely defeated the forces of the rebellious Arabs, moſt of whom had ſince laid down their arms, and implored his Clemency; that that Prince had afterwards made himſelf maſter of all Mount Atlas, which is what the late King his father could never do. *C.*

MONDAY, *May* 1.

Yeſterday arrived the Mail from France.

Paris May 7. Card. Coſcia having been ill of a cold, was obliged to ſtay ſome days at Ciſterna; but he arriv'd at Rome the 14th in the evening, and was ſet down at the Convent of Praxede. *C. P.*

Genoa, Ap. 21. Our laſt letters from Seville ſay, all is near ready for the African expedition, as they are pleaſed to call it, tho' the ſame letters inſinuate as if the Court would not give final orders for ſailing 'till the return of an expreſs from Vienna, with the Imperial anſwer to ſome propoſals made by his Catholick Majeſty. *D P.*

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